

1 Network User logs into the computer network

2 Network User contacts the Aereous Server to request a file

3,4 Aereous Server contacts the Authentication System to exchange information about the end user.

to determine if the user has the privilege to access the file. If the answer is yes, then the usage policy is sent to the Aereous Server, if no then the file is not sent to the end user 5,6 Aereous Server contacts the Aereous Policy System and executes the access policy

7 Aereous Server requests the file from the network storage device 8 Network storage device delivers the file to the Aereous Server

9 Aereous Server applies usage rights to, and encrypts the file

10 The file is securely delivered to the End User System

11 Usage rights and auditing is enforced on the End User System by the Aereous Client

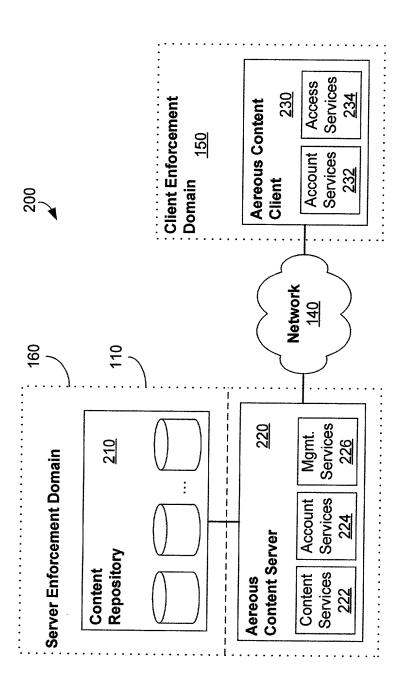
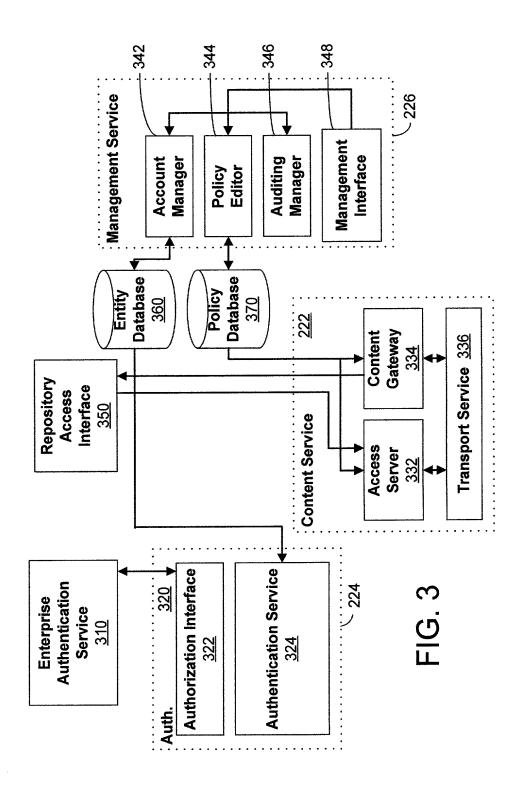


FIG. 2



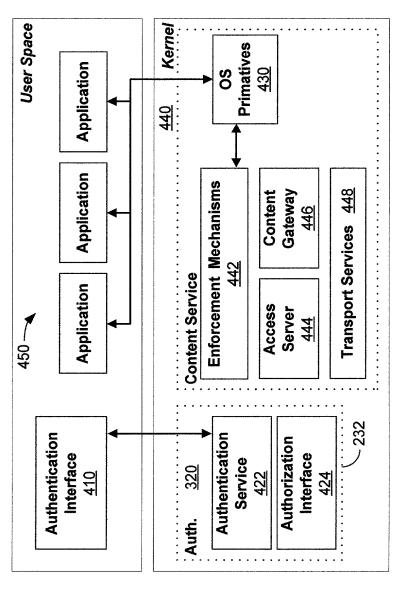
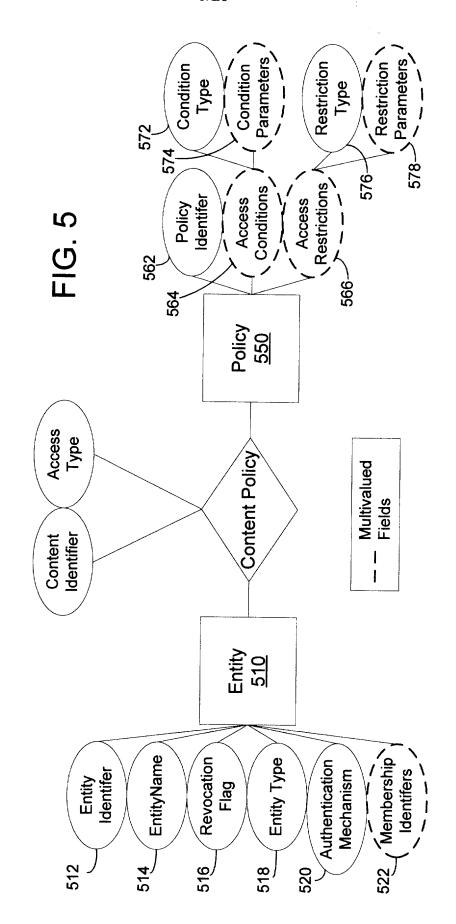
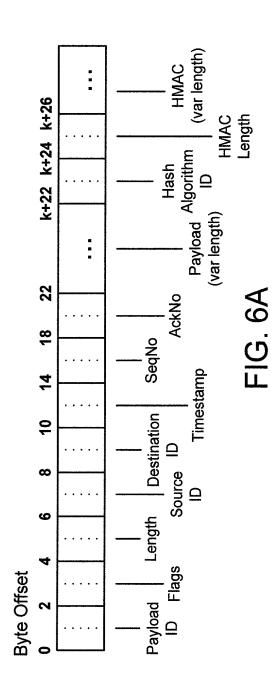


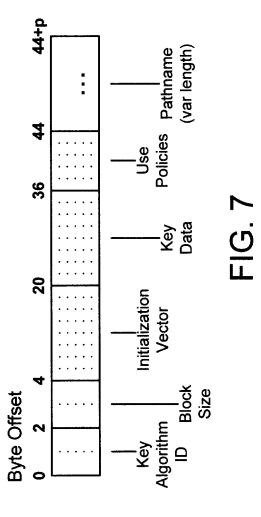
FIG 4





Field	Length	Description					
Payload ID	2 bytes	Enumerated type describing the payload type of the message: Further					
		processing of the message is directed by this field. The currently					
		payload identifiers include:					
		Type Value Description					
		AERE_INVALID 0 Invalid type					
		AERE_FILE_KEY 1 File key payload					
		AERE BLK_XFER 2 Block transfer					
		AERE_STATUS 3 Aereous status					
Flags	2 bytes	Flags indicating payload processing requirements. The currently					
		defined flags include:					
		Flag Bit Description					
	and the same of th	Encrypted 0 Payload encrypted					
		Signed 1 Payload signed (not implemented)					
		Reserved 2-15 unused					
Length	2 bytes	Length of message, in bytes. This length measures the field through the					
		last byte of the payload.					
Source ID	2 bytes	Source identifier – uses user or server entity identifier defined in the					
		entity database.					
Destination	2 bytes	Recipient identifier – uses user or server entity identifier defined in the					
ID		entity database.					
Timestamp	4 bytes	Timestamp (obtained from local or trusted timing source) of message					
_		creation. Used to ensure freshness (e.g., mitigate replay attacks). The					
		time is represented by the standard POSIX 32 bit second identifier					
		(seconds since epoch).					
SeqNo	2 bytes	Sequence number used to ensure the ordering of messages.					
AckNo	2 bytes	Acknowledgement of all messages up to including Ackno.					
Payload	variable						
	The format of the payload is detailed in Section 7.3. Based of						
		flags, this data require additional process (e.g., encryption, sign).					
Hash Algo.	2 bytes	Enumerate type defining the hash algorithm used in the calculation of					
Identifier		the keyed hash. The following hash algorithms are supported by the					
		Aereous system;					
		Algorithm Value					
		AERE_MD5 0					
		AERE_SHAI 1					
HMAC	2 bytes	The length of the HMAC value. Note that some crypgraphic algorithms					
Length		output more ciphertext than the original plaintext. (Question: Is this					
		really needed, or can we always calculate this from the key/hash					
		algorithm info?)					
HMAC	variable	This is the keyed hash of the message. This value is calculated over all					
		bytes prior to the beginning of the hash length field.					

FIG. 6B



Pathname

Name	Length	Description				
KeyAlgorithmID	16 bits	(enumerated) identifies both the algorithm and the key length				
BlockSize	16 bits	block size for the accessed file				
IV	256 bits	Initialization vector used to seed the encryption of file blocks. Further details are defined in Section 7.1.				
KeyData	256 bits	The key used to encrypt the file. Where the key size is less than 256 bits, the most significant bits are used and unused bits are padded with zero.				
UsePolicies	64 bits	Flags indicating the enabled usage of access content (where a bit $1 =$ allowed, $0 =$ denied). The supported bits include:				
		Flag	Bit	Description		
		Print	0	Print the file		
		Copy	1	Copy file to local disk		
		Send	2	Transmit the file to external device		
		Reserved	3-63	unused		

(variable) full pathname of file being accessed FIG. 8

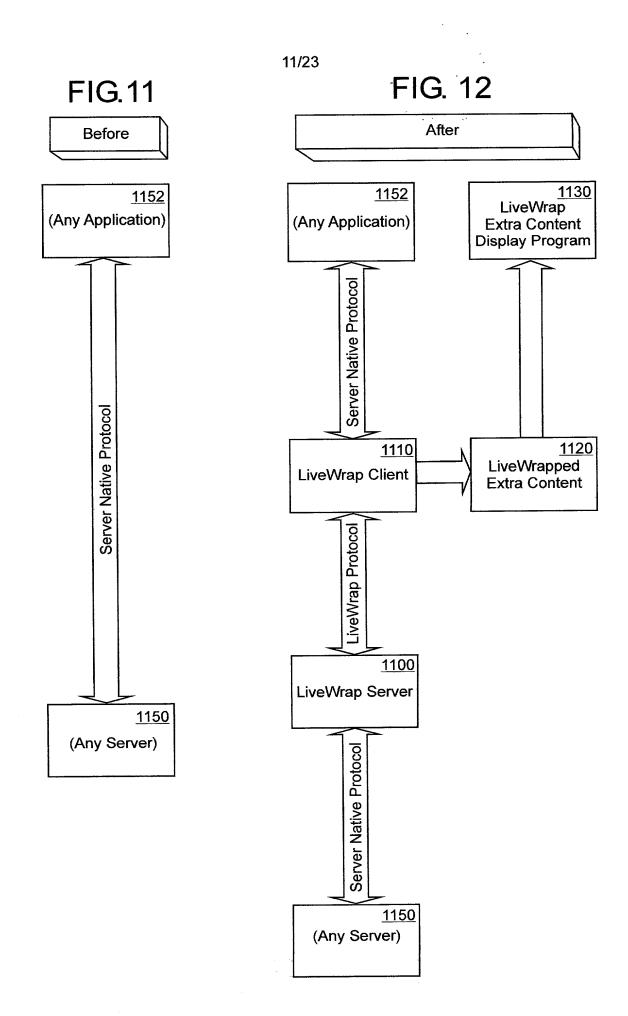
document as needed.

Name	Length	Description
Cid	16 bits	hashed pathname identifier (see Section 6)
Block/Number	16 bits	block number of transmitted data
Length	16 bits	length of data, typically equal to the block size supported by the filesystem
Data	(variable)	the file data

FIG. 9

Name	Length	Description				
Sid	16 bits	(enumerated) Type identifying the message semantics. Details of the status are further specified in the info and to fields.				
		Enum	Numeric	Origin	Description	
		usageExec	0	client	Usage right executed	
		aereousError	1	both	Aereous error encountered	
		dfsError	2	both	Filesystem error	
		infoStatus	2 3	both	informational (e.g., debugging)	
		clientShutdown	4	client	client shutdown signal	
		serverShutdown	5	server	server shutdown signal	
		unused	6-2	N/A	unused	
Infolength	16 bits	length of info fiel	ld			
Info	(variable)	Additional status information. The interpretation of this field is directed by the <i>Sid</i> field as follows:				
		Enum		Subfields		
		usageExec		content ID (cid), usage mask		
		aereousError		Aereous error code		
		dfsError infoStatus clientShutdown serverShutdown		standard UNIX ermo		
				information enum		
				none		
				none		
		unused		unused		
TextLength	16 bits	length of Text fie	ld			
Text	(variable)	C-string description of information. Used in auditing or as user notification.				

FIG. 10



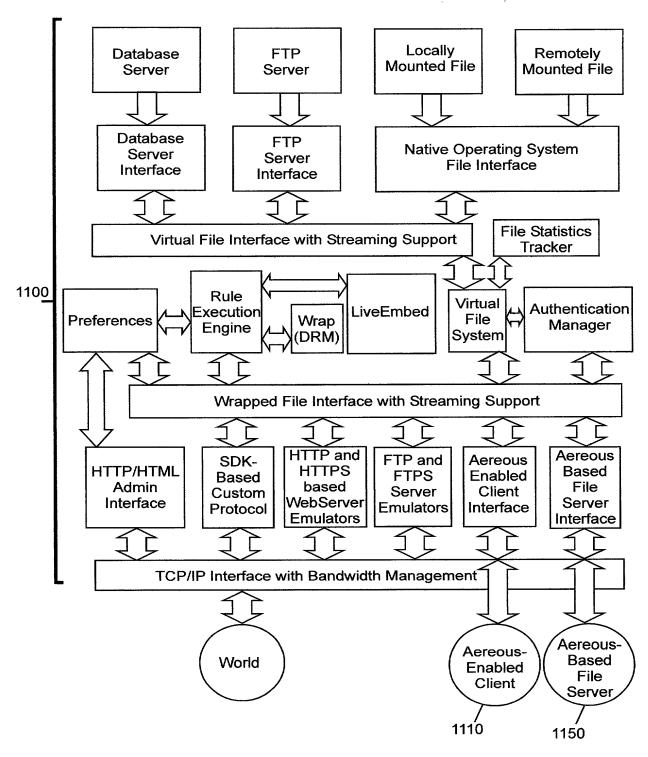
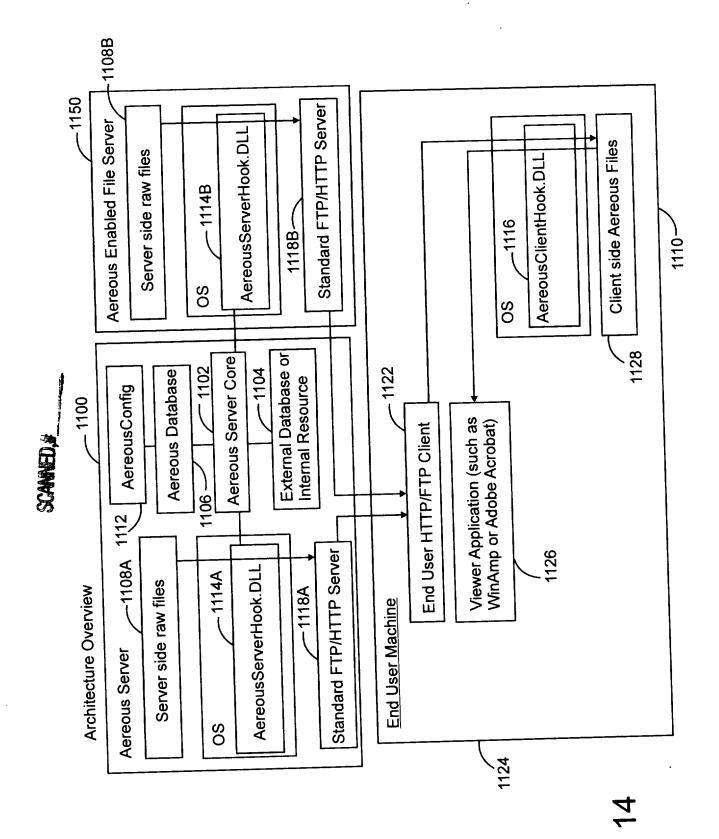


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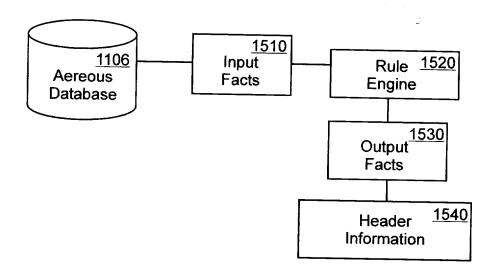


FIG. 15

AereousServer Core Plug-in Architecture

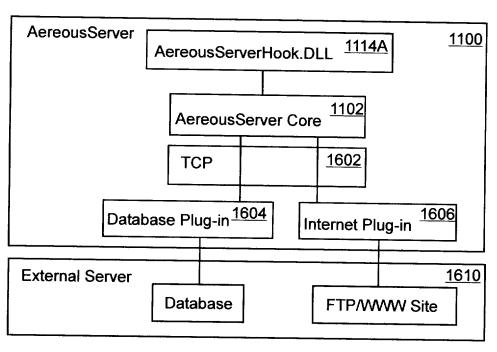
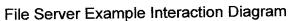


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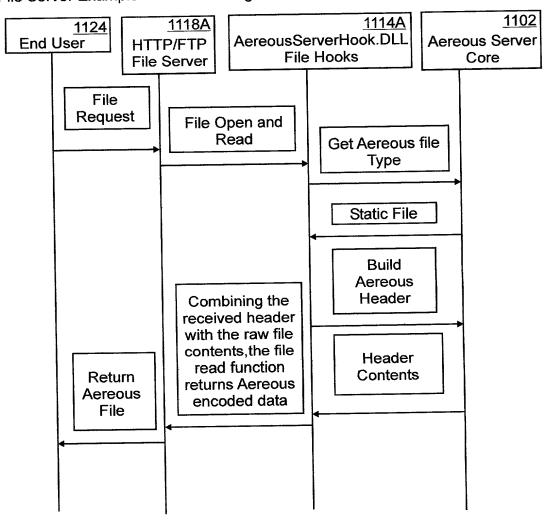


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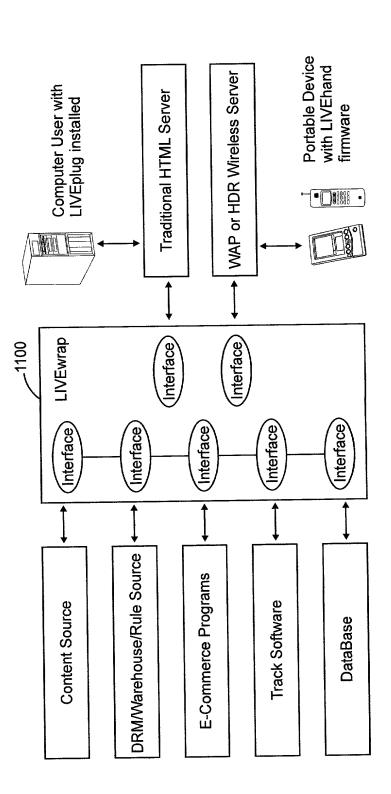


FIG. 18



FIG. 19

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Timestamp

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7/30/00	
Start:	(:::

PING from: 24.160.215.100 www.

TIME(ms) LENGTH RESULT PKT#

Every 500 mSecs Min Avg Max 176 176 176 155 176 134 saccess saccess

Packets out/in/bad/λ loss = 2/2/0/0.0 Round Trip Time (ms) min/avg/max = 134/155/176

Description	Size (bytes)	Contents
Aereous Signature	11	'AEREOUS' + 0x01301976
Aereous File Version	1	Currently 0x1
File ID	8	File's Aereous ID.
Usage Count	2	Number of usages remaining. Set to
		0xFFFF for infinite usages.
Expiration Date	4	A GMT ANSI RTL style time date stamp
		that indicates when this file expires.
Usage Denied Content	Varying	Once a read attempt fails due to a 0 usage
		count, this content is displayed to the user.
		The format is described below under
		"Content Format."
Number of Push	2	Number of items that are pushed to the use
Content Items		when the file is opened.
Push Content Items	Varying	Array of push content items. The format is
		described below as "Push Content Item
		Format."
Header CRC	4	A CRC value for the preceding header
		bytes.
Content Size	8	The size of the unencrypted data
Encryption Type	1	0 = Unencrypted
		1 = 2Fish
		2-255 = undefined
Encrypted Data Offset	8	A file offset to the beginning of the
		encrypted data. The encrypted data uses
		the format described in "Encrypted Data
		Block."

FIG. 21

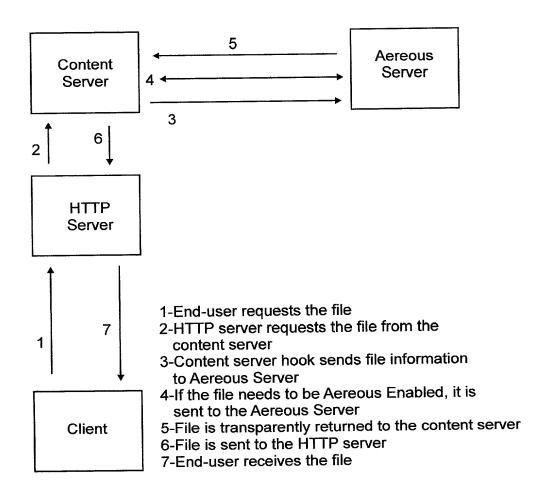


FIG. 22

VirtualFile

The VirtualFile table lists all files in the system. Each file is associated with a Plug-In and a bundle of facts that are understandable by that Plug-In.

Column	Type	Description	Sample
*VirtualFile ID	Int	System assigned ID	314
Name	Text	Name of the virtual file. This is the base name, with no parent directory names and no directory separator characters. The name is not case sensitive in the server core, but is allowed to be in the database engine.	SalesReport .doc
IsDefault	Bool	Flag indicating whether Name is actually a wildcard pattern match. Use of this flag allows directories to be setup and facts associated with them without having to database each of the files that could reside within that virtual directory.	False
VirtualDirectoryID (optional)	Int	ID of the VirtualDirectory that the file resides within. Use NULL for files that reside at the root level.	4242
PlugInName	Text	Identifies which plug-in will generate the actual file contents.	FTP
IsStatic	Bool	Flag indicating whether the file is an actual static file on the server disk of a true virtual file.	True
FactBundleID (optional)	Int	Facts for this file. These facts are considered to be "owned" by this file and will be deleted if this file entry is deleted.	4243
SharedFactBundleID (optional)	Int	Facts for this file. These facts are not "owned" by this file, instead existing as shared facts to assist with centralized administration.	12000
ShouldLogUsageEvents	Int	Flag indicating whether any access to this file should result in an access log. • 1 indicates there should be a log generated • 0 means no log should be generated • Null or -1 means that the value of this setting should be inherited from the parent directory or the DefaultShouldLogUsageEvents configurable parameter	1

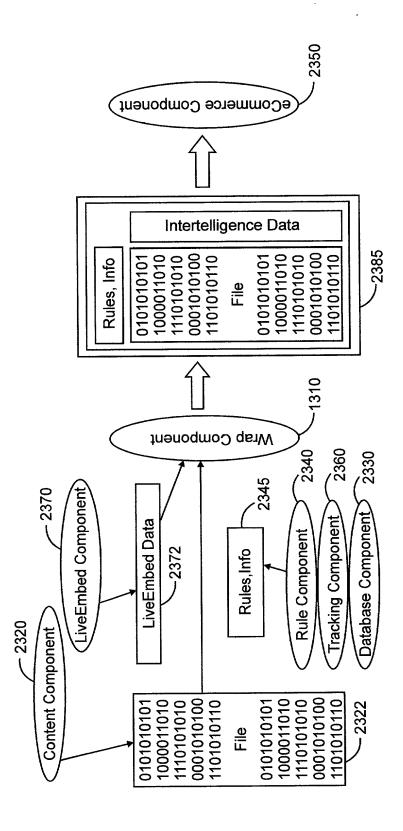


FIG. 24

Application 3

Application 2

Application 2

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Application 1

System Block

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LiveWrap Client

Client Memory Space

FIG. 25